

Announcements

International Society of Nephrology

Any member of a national society of nephrology is eligible for proposal to membership in the International Society of Nephrology and receipt of the Society's official Journal, *Kidney International*. A subscription to *Kidney International* (including all Supplements) for calendar year 1985 is included in the annual 1985 dues of US \$75.00. Potential members can secure application forms for membership by writing directly to Dr. Robert W. Schrier, Treasurer, International Society of Nephrology, Department of Medicine, University of Colorado Medical Center, 4200 East Ninth Avenue, Denver, Colorado 80262, USA. The completed application form must be signed by two sponsors who are current Fellow members of the ISN and then returned to Dr. Schrier along with a check or money order for the first year's dues of \$75.00. (Checks should be made payable to the International Society of Nephrology. Checks from outside the USA can be paid through any United States bank.)

Guidelines for sponsorship of symposia, postgraduate courses, or workshops by the International Society of Nephrology

The International Society of Nephrology (ISN) encourages the organizers of scientific symposia, postgraduate courses, or workshops to apply to the Society for sponsorship. ISN sponsorship will provide: (1) use of the Society's name as a sponsor or co-sponsor; (2) announcement of the meeting in *Kidney International*, contingent upon the receipt of written information in the Editorial office at least 6 months in advance of the meeting; (3) the possibility of partial financial support. Applications must include the following information: (1) the topic, purpose, location and date(s) of the meeting; (2) the names and titles of the members of the scientific organizing committee; (3) a list of all co-sponsoring institutions, if any, and sources of financial support; (4) the total revenue and expense budget for the proposed meeting, by major category; (5) the names and institutions of origin of all invited speakers, and their topics; (6) a statement as to whether manuscripts will be solicited from invited speakers, or free communications sought from others; (7) an expression of willingness to include the following acknowledgment on all publications: “. . . was held under the auspices of the International Society of Nephrology.”

These guidelines do not apply to satellite symposia to be held in close proximity to a triennial Congress. Furthermore, the ISN will not sponsor or co-sponsor any regularly scheduled or routine international, national, or regional meeting, nor will it co-sponsor postgraduate courses with other international societies or groups.

Applications for sponsorship must be submitted directly to Dr. Donald W. Seldin, President, International Society of Nephrology, Department of Internal Medicine, University of Texas,

Southwestern Medical School, 5323 Harry Hines Boulevard, Dallas, Texas 75220, USA.

Supplements to Kidney International

Limited funds are available for the partial financial support of the direct cost of publication of the proceedings of meetings to be published as Supplements to *Kidney International*. Individual awards cannot exceed US \$5,000. Application must be made to the Editor; it must include the date and place of the proposed meeting, a list of other sponsors, a final program (including speakers), an estimate of the number and length of manuscripts, and an expression of willingness to participate in the editorial process, including the submission of manuscripts to a modified form of peer review.

International Fellowship Training Awards

The International Society of Nephrology announces the establishment of an International Fellowship Training Program to provide training in clinical nephrology to physicians from developing countries. It is the objective of this program to support the growth of nephrology in developing countries through an educational program that admits qualified applicants to clinical training in recognized nephrology programs around the world, and then to return to their home country to practice and/or teach. In unique circumstances, applicants who wish basic research training may be considered if the environment in the home country will permit continued research upon the completion of training.

The guidelines for application are as follows:

- (1) Fellowship awards will be made only to physicians from developing countries.
- (2) Applicants must provide evidence of acceptance into a recognized and suitable training program before the award can be granted.
- (3) The Fellow must return to his or her home country upon completion of approved training.
- (4) The Fellow must provide evidence of a guaranteed position in a medical institution upon return to the home country.
- (5) Fellows will receive US \$15,000 per year from the Society; they must also provide evidence of additional financial support from the home country and/or the host institution, including the provision of round-trip travel funds for the Fellow and his or her immediate family.
- (6) Fellows must be able to read and speak the language of the host country. An interview may be required to assess verbal fluency.
- (7) Fellowships will be offered primarily for clinical training of one to two years duration.
- (8) Clinical training programs should be practical in their orientation, and applicable to the needs and conditions of the

home country. The ability of the host institution to provide such training will be an important factor in the selection process.

(9) Fellows must have received sufficient training in internal medicine or other fields to pass all host country examinations that are necessary to the care of patients. Fellowships may be awarded to senior individuals who seek additional training but, in general, preference will be given to younger physicians who are at the beginning of their permanent careers.

(10) A limited amount of financial support may be available to Fellows for basic start-up needs upon return to the home country.

(11) Specific instructions and the necessary application forms can be obtained by writing directly to Dr. Claude Amiel, Secretary General, International Society of Nephrology, Département de Physiologie, Faculté de Médecine Xavier Bichat, 16 rue de Henri Huchard, 75018 Paris, France.

Travel Awards

Travel Fellowships for the Xth International Congress of Nephrology, London, England, July 26–31, 1987, are available from the International Society of Nephrology. The ISN will provide 120 travel awards of US \$500 each. Applicants must be 40 years of age or under. Preference will be given to a presenter, first author, or co-author of an abstract. Membership in the ISN will be a consideration for receipt of the award.

Application forms for the travel grants will be included in the mailings on behalf of the Congress. Notice of the awards will be made on April 15, 1987, and the funds will be available in London at the time of the Congress.

ISN Archive

Dr. Carl Gottschalk has accepted the responsibility to establish an Archive of the International Society of Nephrology. The Archive will consist of photographs, announcements, activities, and names of Council Members and Officers of the Society. Relevant information, documents, or photographs that are pertinent to the development and evolution of the ISN will be assembled in the Archive.

Members of the ISN or other readers of *Kidney International* having such material are requested to forward it to Dr. Gottschalk at the following address: Carl W. Gottschalk, M.D., Department of Medicine 226-H, University of North Carolina, Chapel Hill, North Carolina 27514 USA.

Meetings

The Fourth North American Symposium on Dialysis and Transplantation, presented by the North American Society for Dialysis and Transplantation, will be held at Stouffer's-Waialea Beach Hotel, Maui, Hawaii, USA, August 4–8, 1985. The deadline for abstracts is May 1, 1985. For further information, please write Dr. Robert Mendez, Transplant Center and Kidney Transplant Institute, St. Vincent Medical Center, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California 90057, USA, or telephone (213) 483-7707.

The 7th Danube Symposium on Nephrology will be held September 6–9, 1985, in Baden/Vienna, Austria. Main topics will be the kidney and metabolism, kidney and drugs, and acute

renal insufficiency. The congress will be held in both English and German. For information, write the 7th Danube Symposium on Nephrology, c/o Hans Krister Stummvoll, 2. Med. Univ.-Klinik, Garnisongasse 13, A-1090 Vienna, Austria.

The XIIth European Congress for Artificial Organs will be held in Athens, Greece, September 16–19, 1985. A Pre-Congress Meeting to the International Diabetes Federation Congress will be held also. Topics include the artificial endocrine pancreas, insulin delivery devices, and pancreas and islet transplantation. For information, write the Organizing Committee, Professor S. Raptis, M.D., P.O. Box 14127, 11510 Athens, Greece.

Recent Advances in Nephrology and Kidney Transplantation will be held in Leiden, The Netherlands, September 19–20, 1985, in association with the Annual Eurotransplant Meeting on September 21, 1985, in Leiden. Topics include renal damage and the ensuing glomerular injury, the mechanisms responsible for the disease, effects of therapeutic intervention, changing patterns of renal failure, risks after living-kidney donation, the cellular and humoral mechanisms of kidney graft rejection, regulation of the immune response, and new therapeutic approaches. The Eurotransplant meeting will provide up-to-date information on clinical kidney transplantation. For information, write Dr. Leendert C. Paul, Renal Division, Department of Medicine, University Hospital, 2333 AA Leiden, The Netherlands, or telephone 071-262148. Information about the Eurotransplant meeting is provided by Eurotransplant, 2333 AA Leiden, The Netherlands, telephone 071-263807.

Drug-induced Nephrotoxicity: Fundamental and Clinical Correlates is a two-day symposium organized by M. E. De Broe, P. M. Tulkens, and G. A. Porter. It will be held in Antwerp, Belgium, September 27–28, 1985. For information, write the symposium secretariat, Mrs. Katia Schmit, Department of Nephrology-Hypertension, University of Antwerp, University Hospital Antwerp, Wilrijkstraat 10, B-2520 Edegem-Antwerp, Belgium.

The Second Midwest Regional Conference on Women in Medicine will be held September 27–29, 1985, at the Alameda Plaza Hotel, Wornall Road at Ward Parkway, Kansas City, Missouri, USA. The conference is sponsored by the University of Kansas Medical Center, and offers 8 hours of AMA category 1 and 8 hours of AAFP credit. Registration fees are US \$130 for physicians, \$60 for other health professionals, and \$20 for students. Special guest speaker will be Dr. Ellen L. Shulman, National Aeronautics and Space Administration, Lyndon B. Johnson Space Center, Houston, Texas, USA. For information, write Jan Johnston, Office of Continuing Education, University of Kansas Medical Center, 39th and Rainbow Boulevard, Kansas City, Kansas 66103 USA, or telephone (913) 588-4480.

The Second International Milano Meeting of Nephrology will be held in Milan, Italy, on September 30–October 1, 1985. Antiglobulins, cryoglobulins, and glomerulonephritis will be discussed. Special sessions include physiology and pathology of antiglobulins, role of rheumatoid factors in experimental glomerulonephritis, antiglobulins in glomerulonephritis, classification of cryoglobulins, immunological aspects of essential mixed cryoglobulinemia, and clinical and morphological findings. For information, write Prof. C. Ponticelli, Divisione di Nefrologia.